

Wilson to Direct Oakland City. GOP

Edward E. Wilson, Oxford, Birmingham, Pontiac and Cadillac car dealer, last week was selected as chairman of the Oakland County Republican committee at a meeting of the GOP county committee.

Wilson will head the GOP campaign in the country this fall as his duties start on the two-year term.

Other officers chosen were Mrs. Helen Reese, Waterford township, vice-chairman; Mrs. Genevieve Schock, Berkley, Republican State central committee woman, secretary; and Chad M. Ritchie, 1224 Covington, former Birmingham mayor, treasurer.

CHAIRMAN OF organization will be John C. Emery, Jr., 424 Baldwin, and finance chairman will be Roy Annett of Pontiac. Wilson succeeds John Seman, Berkley. He was former state vice-chairman of the Eisenhower committee before the GOP national convention in Chicago. He opened at the Republican county convention Tues. at the county court house. The convention will select 21 delegates to the Republican state convention Aug. 16 in Grand Rapids.

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Schools

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CENSUS FIGURES point to the same phenomenal growth. Last year the census indicated 2831 children under five years of age. This year there were 3615 under five years of age.

There will certainly be a kindergarten enrollment ranging between seven and eight hundred children for the next five years. This is determined on the basis of the children now residing in Birmingham and does not include new families moving into the city from this time on.

The contemplated building plans for Birmingham and vicinity do not indicate any relief from this situation. The Relief of Education is not using any figures based upon future estimates of growth. Their plans are, therefore, conservative from every point of view and must be considered as such.

THE CONSERVATIVE planning of the Board of Education has been evident over the past 10 years. Enrollment now proves that the planning of the Board of Education has been conservative because every classroom is filled for the opening of school in September.

Not only are classrooms filled, but schools are over-crowded. The library and former cafeteria of Quanton school have been closed and converted into a classroom. Pierce school used the former dressing room under the gymnasium for a library, and the old cafeteria has been used for a classroom.

Baldwin elementary school has been remodeled during this summer to house twenty-one classrooms and two kindergartens. This uses every bit of space available and allows for no further growth.

The same situations prevail throughout the system. **THIS OVER-CROWDING** also denies other facilities which are necessary in a good school system. The existing teacher, speech, recreation and nurse do not have rooms for conferences with parents and children and carry on their programs under great handicaps.

The teachers in some of the buildings are denied rest rooms. There are no facilities in some schools for taking care of children who become ill. Hot school lunches have to be denied children in some buildings because of overcrowding.

Offices are inadequate and poorly located. Lighting is bad in many schools and cannot be improved because of the pressures for facilities and also because of the temporary use of certain portions of the buildings which will later serve another purpose.

THE BOARD of education is responsible for informing the citizens of the school district of the existing conditions and proposing a plan for meeting the educational requirements for the children who reside in the district.

Tuition pupils have practically been eliminated and the plans proposed are for children who actually reside in the school district.

The Board of Education agrees that the following building program should be undertaken at once if the schools are to operate in a normal manner during the year 1953-54.



BEN EVANS, 839 WATLIES, TROY TOWNSHIP, and Betty Shoeltz, of Ferndale, display scale models of last year's Continental Motors Trophy racing planes as they invite everyone to the Aviation Exposition at the Detroit-Wayne Major Airport, Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Evans constructs the models in recreation hours, and they will be on display at the fifth annual air exposition.

Proposed Building Program for 1952 (According to Survey) Quanton \$316,000 Barnum Jun. High 240,000 Torry 457,500 Bloomfield 195,000 Franklin 195,000 Walnut Lake 150,000

NSC Spokesman Reviews City's Traffic Analysis

Birmingham's accident record has been the subject of public information and bicycle safety program were commended in the 1951 inventory of traffic conditions presented Tuesday afternoon by a representative of the National Safety Council.

OF NECESSITY these must wait a few years. The board of education has planned a series of articles which are based upon the items included in the above proposal. Each item will be treated separately and presented on the basis of the facts of these proposals carefully. They will have a total picture of the needs at the conclusion of these articles as a summary will be made by the board of education which will culminate in the bond proposal which will be submitted for approval.

To Move Big Buses Off of Woodward Those big inter-city buses no longer will use Woodward avenue as their route, Birmingham city commissioners decided Monday night.

THIS RE-ROUTING will remove from Woodward, except for the east side of this one block, about 35 buses a day. The board was instructed to get facts and statistics on subject, bus schedules, passenger totals, liability of use, there is any possibility of also removing all or most of these local buses from Woodward without too much inconvenience to local customers.

Memorial

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"CARL HEUSSNER came into the picture when it was learned that the government scientists were specifying solid nickel or nickel-clad steel diffusers in a research project not connected with the bomb project.

THEN CAME the all-too-familiar comments of the "idea just wouldn't work." But Heussner put his theoretical knowledge to practice.

"Donning a black raincoat, sou'wester and boots" and sweating it out in a plating pit, he proved his point.

To Add 5 More Voting Machines For Nov. Ballot For November 4th's general election, Birmingham voters will have at least five more voting machines to use.

PRIMARIES ALWAYS take more of each voter's time because he has to select each candidate, she explained.

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FOUR FREEDOMS MEMORIAL WHITE CHAPEL Speakers: Hon. Mary V. Beck, Common Council, Detroit; Hon. Phillip A. Hart, U. S. District Attorney; Congressman George A. Dondero, Michigan; Captain Stephen Barclay, U. S. N. Great Lakes, Illinois; Brigadier Gen. Rinaldo Van Brunt, U.S.A., Washington, D. C.

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